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## Manager's Newsletter

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# Large Item Pick Up Scheduled for April 12

The Dare County Sanitation Department will be conducting a large household pick-up for residential customers on Tuesday, April 12. No commercial business debris will be picked up.

If large item pick-up falls on your regular garbage collection day, please do not block the garbage container. Materials must be at curbside no later than 6:00 a.m. on the date of collection. There will

not be a second day pick-up.

On this special pick-up, the County will collect the following recyclable items: used auto tires, used motor oil (only in spill proof containers), scrap auto radiators. metals (rims, motor parts), appliances, furniture, and mattresses and t h e b o xsprings. Please remove doors from refrigerators.

The following items <u>will</u> <u>not</u> be collected: old clothes, shoes, card-

board. tree limbs. stumps, leaves, any vard-clearing debris, construction/ demolition materials such as lumber, toiwindows. // lets. doors, etc., any hazardous materials (oil based paint, pesticides, etc). Water based paint can be picked up but must be dried out. All normal garbage household must be disposed of in your black can.

## Spring Brush Pick Up Service Has Started

The Town's Public Works department will be picking up brush from the road right of ways until April 15th. Please contact Public Works at 252-261-1367, if you have any questions.

Place your debris in the right of way, at least 3 feet from the side of the road. Debris can be no larger than 4 inches in diameter and 6 feet long. No stumps, lumber, leaves or yard clippings will be collected.



# **Town Council Declares March 14-18 Flood Safety Awareness Week**

Kitty Hawk Town Council passed a resolution at the March 7, 2011 Town Council Meeting declaring March 14-18, 2011 as Flood Safety Awareness Week. The Town of Kitty Hawk has adopted flood damage prevention measures in order to save lives and minimize property damage when flooding or other disasters occur. Property owners in Kitty Hawk receive a

substantial reduction in insurance rates due to the Town's participation in these programs.

The Town of Kitty
Hawk recognizes the importance of educating the public about the risks of flooding and opportunities to prevent or minimize damage during these situations. As part of these efforts, future Town newsletters will include articles concerning flood ordi-

nance standards, flood safety awareness, preparing for floods, and information about other hazards affecting the Town. The Planning & Inspections Department will also be working with Kitty Hawk Elementary School to educate local children about flood and hurricane safety precautions.





NCDOT Bridge maintenance has planned to perform bridge maintenance work on the US 158 East Bound Wright Bridge Memorial Currituck across Sound between Point Harbor and The Kitty Hawk.

planned maintenance will require the closure of one lane of the bridge hours per day, days per week beginning Friday on April 1, 2011 and ending on Friday April 29, 2011.

Please stay alert and drive safely. NCDOT Bridge maintenance apologizes for any inconvenience to the public during this lane closure.

## Public Meeting on Storm Drainage Well Attended

On Wednesday, March 16, 2011 a Public Meeting was held at the Kitty Hawk Town Hall to hear about citizen concerns for storm drainage problems that they have experienced in the past. The meeting was attended by some thirty citizens and they were asked to fill out a questionnaire to provide the Town staff and the engineering consultant information on what kind of flooding or drainage problems they have experienced in the past.

The meeting started with the Town Manager welcoming everyone and giving a short history on how the idea of a storm drainage study was generated. After the Nor'easter in 2009, the Town had received several complaints from residents between the highways and west of US 158. At that time the water table was such that drainage into the soil was all but non-existent. Many of the properties affected by the Nor'easter experienced standing water for months after the storm. The Town tried to abate the problem by pumping from the rights of way, but this did not totally solve the problems. The Town then had a meeting with Senator Basnight and NCDOT representatives and as a result the Town obtained a grant for the storm drainage study. After receiving the grant funds, the Town staff then conducted interviews with local engineering firms and Albemarle & Associates was selected to conduct the study. Albemarle & Associates has teamed up with Environmental Professionals for the purpose of conducting the study.

After the brief history behind the project, the Town Manager then introduced John DeLucia of Albemarle & Associates as the lead engineer on the project. Mr. DeLucia was assisted by George Wood of Environmental Professionals. Mr. DeLucia said that the study will consist of three phases and that the public meeting was a part of the 1<sup>st</sup> phase. The purpose of the meeting was to obtain input from the public as to where the drainage problems exist. The information provided would be analyzed and prioritized for the future phases of the project. Mr. DeLucia explained that the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of the project would consist of determining solutions, evaluating permit requirements, establishing funding sources. and developing a cost/benefit for the solutions under consideration. Mr. DeLucia further explained that the 3<sup>rd</sup> phase would include cost estimates for the various solutions. Mr. DeLucia then turned the meeting over to George Wood of Environmental Professionals.

Mr. Wood moderated the meeting by referring to a sign up sheet and asking those persons to come forward and give us their comments. Mr. Wood asked the audience to fill out the

questionnaire form provided and said that public comments would be taken until May 1st. Mr. Wood talked briefly about the fact that ten areas in the Town have been identified as possible areas that are creating the most flooding and invited members of the audience to review the mapping provided by Albemarle & Associates and express their opinions to the engineers and Town staff after the comment period. Mr. Wood informed the audience that the maps created by Albemarle & Associates would be left in the Town Council room during the comment period for the study.

The purpose of having the 10 areas presented was to establish a base line from which the Town's engineer could work from. Additional areas can certainly be evaluated during the study and citizens are encouraged to submit the questionnaire if so interested.

The questionnaire can be accessed by visiting the Town's web site at <a href="https://www.townofkittyhawk.org">www.townofkittyhawk.org</a>. Just click on the "Storm Drainage Form", fill out the questionnaire, save the form on your computer and then send it back to the Town at <a href="mailto:info@townofkittyhawk.org">info@townofkittyhawk.org</a> or the questionnaire may also be picked up at the Kitty Hawk Town Hall at 101 Veterans Memorial Drive and FAXED to 252-261-7900.

# **Kitty Hawk Fire Department Needs Volunteers**



The Kitty Hawk Fire Department is continuing its campaign to recruit volunteers. Since November, we have accepted seven recruits; and five of our new recruits are active and exceeding expectations.

If you are considering joining the Kitty Hawk Fire Department, the following is a summary of both requirements and <u>benefits</u>:

#### **REQUIREMENTS:**

- Live within 10 miles of Town line
- Obtain physical examination (paid by Fire Dept.) from Department Physician
- Background check and drug screen
- Complete a 40-hour Recruit Training Program within 90 days
- Pass Physical Agility Test

- Obtain a minimum of 36 hours of training each year
- Respond to a minimum of 10% of fire calls per month
- 12-month Probationary Period

#### **BENEFITS**

Incentive Pay – paid monthly, if requirements are met; i.e., 3 hours of training per month and 10% attendance at fire calls per month

Uniforms and training provided by the Kitty Hawk Fire Department

Tuition at firefighter training classes

N.C. State Inspection fee for your vehicle (paid by KHFD Association)

Optional membership in the Local Government Federal Credit Union

Local business discounts

50% discount on Oakley Gear (online)

Paid Membership in NC State Firemen's Association to those who meet the requirements (36 hours of training per year)

#### **BENEFITS:**

"State In Line of Duty Death

Benefit" - \$50,000

N. C. Firemen's Pension Fund - \$170.00 per month at age 55 and 20 years of service

Additional benefits as outlined in NC State Firemen's Association Member Benefits Brochure

Inclusion in Supplemental Retirement Plan if requirements are met (36 hours annual training and 25% of fire calls)

#### ADDITIONAL BENEFITS:

Social events sponsored by the Kitty Hawk Fire Department Association

Opportunities to participate in fundraising activities that benefit all members

Sam's Club Membership (provided by the Kitty Hawk Fire Department Association)

Use of the Exercise Room, a fully equipped gym at the Station

Please stop by the Fire Department to pick up a volunteer application. If you have further questions, **contact Fire Chief Lowell Spivey at 261-2666**. Thank you.







## **Town Staff News**



Retired Police Lieutenant, Tony Garret, Sr. receives the Order of the Long Leaf Pine award and his Service firearm and badge at the March 7th, Town Council Meeting

Chief Lowell Spivey congratulates Firefighter Jean C. Murillo, Kitty Hawk's 2010 "Firefighter of the Year.



Firefighters Jesse R. Neill and Thomas R. West display their certificates for completing Kitty Hawk's Recruit Training Program



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